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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**SIR:**

In Response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 13, 2004;
enclosed is a revised Amendment which includes a complete list of the claims. Therefore, it
is respectfully submitted that the Amendment is now compliant with 37 CFR 1.121 and
should be accepted for substantive review.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT**S I R:**

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 13, 2004,
please amend the above-identified application and consider the following remarks.